



Dr. GEORGE KAMAU MUHOHO, PhD, EGH was born in 1938, in Gatundu, Kiambu County. He did his early education at Gatitu Primary and Kiriko Intermediate School. He joined the junior seminary at Kabaa and Kiserian High Schools. In 1957, he joined senior seminary at St. Thomas Aquinas at Morogoro, Tanzania, where he studied Philosophy and Theology for 7 years. In his last year, 1963, he was the Colleges' Head Prefect. He was ordained as Catholic Priest at Gatitu Mission in December, 1963. His first posting was at Karinga Catholic Mission, Kiambu County. He was tasked to establish a "Harambee" Secondary School, which he opened at Mururia in March, 1964. Mururia Secondary School is now one of the leading schools in the County.

In 1965, he was posted to Our Lady of Visitation Parish in Nairobi. He was appointed as the first African Education Secretary for Catholic Schools in the then Archdiocese of Nairobi, comprising of Nairobi, Kiambu, and Machakos. In this capacity, he was deeply involved in the establishment of the Teachers Service Commission, as well as the transmission of the role of the Church from being the Owner to Sponsor of Catholic Schools as defined in the Education Act of 1968. In August of 1966, he proceeded to Rome in Italy, to undertake further studies in Canon Law at the Pontifical Urbaniana University, where he graduated with a Master's Degree (Summa Cum Laude) in 1969.

He completed his PhD in 1971 at the same University. While doing his PhD, he was invited to join the Vatican Diplomatic Service and joined the prestigious Academia Pontificia in 1970. He did a Post-Graduate Diploma in Diplomacy and International Relations. In 1973, he returned to Kenya and was appointed Chaplain at the University of Nairobi. In the same year, the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP) was established in Nairobi, and he was seconded to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to assist in its establishment.

In 1976, he was granted dispensation from his priestly duties by Pope Paul VI. He continued to serve the Kenya Government and established the National Environment Secretariat. In 1976, he was elected by the General Assembly of the United Nations, to chair the Preparatory Committee for the Creation and establishment of HABITAT in Kenya. In 1978, he joined UNEP as Director of Information. He traveled widely for international conferences related to environment. In 1984, he joined politics and was elected Member of Parliament for Juja Constituency. After serving as Assistant Minister for Water and Education, he served as a Cabinet Minister for Tourism (1987 - 1989) and as Minister for Research, Science and Technology (1989 - 1991). He resigned from Government in December 1991, and joined the Hon. Mwai Kibaki in founding the Democratic Party. In 2003, he was appointed as Managing Director of the Kenya Airports Authority where he served diligently until his retirement in 2010. He is married to Jean Njeri Muhoho and they are blessed with four children and four grandchildren.